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RE: Certification of Support for High-Cost Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Sections 54.313-314, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 00-256 (Minnesota PUC Docket No. P999/PR-11-329)

To the Filing Representatives:

The Minnesota Public Utilities Commission hereby certifies that federal high cost support provided to ETCs in this state will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended consistent with section 254 (e) of the Communications Act of 1934 as amended. This includes High Cost Loop support, Local Switching Support, High Cost Model support, and high cost support pursuant to the purchase of exchanges.

Attached is the list of high cost carriers being certified by the MPUC pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.314, which require states to establish an annual certification process for ETCs receiving federal high cost support.

If you have questions, please call Commission staff Lillian Brion at 651-201-2216, or email at [lillian.brion@state.mn.us](mailto:lillian.brion@state.mn.us).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Burl W. Haar".

Burl W. Haar  
Executive Secretary

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## List of ETCs

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1. Ace Telephone Association
2. Albany Mutual Telephone Association
3. Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc.
4. Arrowhead Communications Corporation
5. Arvig Telephone Company
6. Barnesville Telephone Company
7. Benton Cooperative Telephone Company
8. Blue Earth Valley Telephone Company
9. Bridge Water Telephone Company
10. Callaway Telephone Company
11. Cannon Valley Telecom, Inc.
12. CenturyTel of Chester, Inc. (dba CenturyLink)
13. CenturyTel of Minnesota, Inc. (dba CenturyLink)
14. CenturyTel of Northwest Wisconsin, Inc. (dba CenturyLink)
15. Christensen Communications Company
16. Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC
17. Clara City Telephone Exchange Company
18. Clements Telephone Company
19. Consolidated Telephone Company
20. Crosslake Telephone Company
21. Dunnell Telephone Company, Inc.
22. Eagle Valley Telephone Company
23. East Otter Tail Telephone Company
24. Easton Telephone Company (includes Minnesota Lake Telephone Company and Delavan Telephone Company)
25. Eckles Telephone Company
26. Embarq Minnesota, Inc. (dba CenturyLink)
27. Emily Cooperative Telephone Company
28. Farmers Mutual Telephone Company
29. Federated Telephone Cooperative (includes former Federated Utilities, Inc.)
30. Felton Telephone Company, Inc.
31. Frontier Communications of Minnesota, Inc.
32. Garden Valley Telephone Company
33. Gardonville Cooperative Telephone Association
34. Granada Telephone Company
35. Halstad Telephone Company

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36. Harmony Telephone Company
37. Hills Telephone Company, Inc.
38. Home Telephone Company
39. Hutchinson Telephone Company
40. Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative
41. Johnson Telephone Company
42. Kasson & Mantorville Telephone Company
43. Lismore Cooperative Telephone Company
44. Lonsdale Telephone Company, Inc.
45. Loretel Systems, Inc.
46. Mabel Cooperative Telephone Company
47. Manchester-Hartland Telephone Company
48. Mankato Citizens Telephone Company (dba HickoryTech)
49. Melrose Telephone Company
50. Mid-Communications, Inc. (dba HickoryTech)
51. Mid-State Telephone Company (includes KMP Telephone Co.)
52. Midwest Telephone Company
53. Midwest Wireless Communications (dba Verizon Wireless)
54. Minnesota Valley Telephone Company
55. New Ulm Telecom, Inc.
56. Northern Telephone Company
57. Osakis Telephone Company
58. Park Region Mutual Telephone Company
59. Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative
60. The Peoples Telephone Company of Bigfork
61. Pine Island Telephone Company
62. Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corp. (includes Polar Telecommunications, Inc.)
63. RCC Minnesota, Inc. (dba Verizon Wireless)
64. Red River Rural Telephone Association
65. Redwood County Telephone Company
66. Rothsay Telephone Company, Inc.
67. Runestone Telephone Association (includes Lowry Telephone Co.)
68. Sacred Heart Telephone Company
69. Scott-Rice Telephone Company (dba Integra Telecommunications of Minnesota, Inc.)
70. Sleepy Eye Telephone Company
71. Spring Grove Cooperative Telephone Company
72. Starbuck Telephone Company

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73. Twin Valley-Ulen Telephone Company
74. Upsala Cooperative Telephone Association
75. Valley Telephone Company
76. WWC Holding Company (dba Verizon Wireless)
77. West Central Telephone Association
78. Western Telephone Company
79. Wikstrom Telephone Company, Inc.
80. Windstream Lakedale Inc. (includes Sherburne County Rural Telephone Co.)
81. Wilderness Valley Telephone Company
82. Winnebago Cooperative Telephone Association
83. Winsted Telephone Company
84. Winthrop Telephone Company
85. Wolverton Telephone Company
86. Woodstock Telephone Company
87. Zumbrota Telephone Company